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Dixy Lee Ray  
Governor

*Solid Waste*  
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES

Olympia, Washington 98504

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Mr. Robert G. Ryan, Director  
Office of State Programs  
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Washington, D.C. 20555

Dear Mr. Ryan:

On at least two occasions in the last year, detailed briefings have been presented to Governor Dixy Lee Ray concerning the radioactive waste situation at the Three Mile Island Unit Number Two reactor. As a result of these briefings, a general understanding has developed regarding the kinds of wastes planned for disposal at Washington's site, the volumes anticipated, the radiation levels involved, and other general circumstances surrounding the waste disposal issue.

In the last month, statements have been made and circulated by representatives of the various parties involved in this situation which appear in conflict with each other and with the impression left with us by the earlier briefings. As a result, Governor Ray has contacted Metropolitan Edison officials at TMI and requested that another briefing be scheduled. My assignment, and the purpose of this letter, is to assure that appropriate representatives from the Nuclear Regulatory Commission are invited and that whatever misunderstanding exists with regard to the radioactive waste destined for disposal in Washington be eliminated.

The briefing has been scheduled in the Governor's conference room in Olympia at 4:00, Tuesday, June 17. May I count on you, as my primary contact with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, to invite those appropriate representatives of NRC to attend this briefing?

Very truly yours,

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